



# State of Arizona

## Acupuncture Board of Examiners

September 2007

Newsletter

***Mission Statement:*** *The mission of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Arizona by regulating and maintaining standards of practice in the field of acupuncture.*

### ***Acupuncture Board of Examiners***

<b>Della Estrada, L.Ac.</b> Chairman Term Expiration: 1/18/10	<b>Joe Balensi, L.Ac.</b> Secretary Term Expiration: 1/21/08
<b>Yong Deng, L.Ac.</b> Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/21/08	<b>Toni L. Bernalley</b> Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/18/10
<b>Rebecca Wilks, MD, MD(H)</b> Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/19/09	<b>Michael Robb, D.C.</b> Professional Member Term Expiration: 1/18/10
<b>Ross Adelman</b> Public Member Term Expiration: 1/18/08	<b>Toni Karnas</b> Public Member Term Expiration: 1/18/10
<b>Diane Pruetz</b> Public Member Term Expiration: 1/21/08	

#### ***Board Staff:***

**Pete Gonzalez**  
Executive Director

***Congratulations to Della Estrada, Michael Robb, and Toni Karnas on their reappointments to the Board by the Governor! The new terms on the Board will expire January 18, 2010.***

***Mr. Ross Adelman was appointed to the Board, Public Member representative, and will complete his term on January 18, 2008.***

***Toni L. Bernalley, L.Ac., was appointed to the Board on June 1, 2007. Her term on the Board will expire January 18, 2010.***

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### ***Board Meetings for 2007***

January 24, 2007      February 28, 2007  
March 28, 2007      April 25, 2007  
May 30, 2007      June 27, 2007—Cancelled  
July 6, 2007 (Special Meeting)  
July 25, 2007      August 22, 2007  
September 26, 2007      October 24, 2007  
November 28, 2007      December 19, 2007

### ***Getting a hold of us at the Board office:***

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### ***Did you change your office or home address or get a new telephone number?***

Please remember that AAC R4-8-103 requires that every person holding a license or certificate shall, within **20 days**, notify the Board **in writing** of any change in mailing address (giving both the old and the new address), or residential or business telephone numbers.

So mail, fax or e-mail your address change to us.

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**Welcome Aboard**  
**New Acupuncture Licensees**

**January 2007**

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Ti Lu, L.Ac.          | Tina M. Carlton, L.Ac.  |
| Feral Maccloud, L.Ac. | Jay D. Zamora, L.Ac.    |
| Sheh Adams, L.Ac.     | Ronald J. Borden, L.Ac. |

**February 2007**

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| Donald A. Matesz, L.Ac. | Andrea Joscelyn-Nivette, L.Ac. |
| Sami Kay Rank, L.Ac.    | Linda A. Lee, L.Ac.            |
| Daniel Taylor, L.Ac.    | Joshua E. Ferber, L.Ac.        |
| Ryan J. Cashman, L.Ac.  |                                |

**March 2007**

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| Ronald L. Baddorf, L.Ac. | Jacqueline B. Carboni, L.Ac. |
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**April 2007**

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| Amara Franko, L.Ac.          | Justin M. Schares, L.Ac.   |
| Yuanli Wang, L.Ac.           | Gregory S. Steerman, L.Ac. |
| Hannah Fance Steerman, L.Ac. | Stefanie E. Lischer, L.Ac. |
| Tammy D. Mullins, L.Ac.      |                            |

**May 2007**

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| Marguerite M. Gavel, L.Ac. | Kelly Woods, L.Ac. |
| Jacqueline J. Quinn, L.Ac. |                    |

**June 2007**

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| No Meeting Held. |  |
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**July 2007**

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| Christine A. Cline, L.Ac. | Thomas J. Geare, L.Ac.  |
| Nicole C. Rasor, L.Ac.    | Linda Leon Scott, L.Ac. |
| Tess Richardson, L.Ac.    | John E. Skwiot, L.Ac.   |

**August 2007**

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| Elyse Tera, L.Ac. | Arthur D. Rapkin, L.Ac. |
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**September 2007**

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| Margaret A. Celli, L.Ac. | Mary E. Weigel, L.Ac.      |
| Vanessa R. Morgan, L.Ac. | Beverly Schauwecker, L.Ac. |
| Mary A. Rodriguez, L.Ac. | Nancy Arrowsmith, L.Ac.    |

**October 2007**

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**November 2007**

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**December 2007**

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**Welcome Aboard**  
**New Auricular Certificate Holders**

**January 2007**

Jason K. Brown	
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**February 2007**

None	
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**March 2007**

Patty Licon	
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**April 2007**

Tiffany M. Bastedo	Alethea M. Do
Francisco J. Martinez	Genaro Diaz
Katharine F. Billipp	Colleen DeRango

**May 2007**

None	
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**June 2007**

No Meeting Held	
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**July 2007**

Sherry L. Laventure	
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**August 2007**

None	
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**September 2007**

Alfonzo X. Lopez	Jay D. Zamora
Rhonda G. Rosenberger	

**October 2007**

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**Board Actions**

At the February Board meeting, the fee for the sale of lists (for commercial purposes) was increased to \$25.

## Approval of Acupuncture Program

The Board approved the Acupuncture Program of the Oriental Medical Institute of Hawaii (now closed).

## Complaints

Complaint #2007-009 re: unlicensed to practice against Edmund Wong—Wong's Acupuncture Center in Tucson. The Board will hear the complaint at the October 24, 2007 meeting.

## Disciplinary Action

At the August 22, 2007, the Board placed Andre Zitcer, L.Ac., on probation for one year due to a boundary failure.

## Approved Continuing Education Course Information

**Course Name:** Treating Cough and Sinusitis in the Dry Western Climate—Managing the Complexities of Year-Round “Autumn Dryness”

**Instructor:** Dave Teitler, L.Ac.

7 CEU's

**Date:** October 27, 2007

**Location:** Phoenix, Arizona

**Contact Information:**

Joseph Garner, L.Ac. (602) 274-1885

301 E. Bethany Home Rd., Suite A-100

Phoenix, Arizona 85012

**Note:** The CEU's listed above are only those approved by the Board. Additional CEU offerings are provided by schools of acupuncture, private providers, and national organizations.

## Review of Board Rules

The Board completed its review of its rules and will be conducting public hearings on the recommended rule changes at the November 28, 2007 board meeting.

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## New Laws

House Bill 2115 has been signed by the Governor—Chapter 65. This new law allows the Acupuncture Board and 17 other professional boards to issue a nondisciplinary order requiring their licensees, certificate holders, or permit holders to complete a prescribed number of hours of continuing

education in an area or areas prescribed by the board to provide the licensee, certificate holder, or permit holder with a necessary understanding of current developments, skills, procedures, or treatment.

Senate Bill 1295 has been signed by the Governor—Chapter 102. This new legislation changes the term “oriental” to “asian” in statute. Provides an intent clause stating that it is the intent of the legislature that agencies, boards, commissions, departments, officers and other administrative units of this state to make similar changes in their respective administrative rules.

## National News

The National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM) has relocated its headquarters from Alexandria, Virginia to Jacksonville, Florida. The NCCAOM examinations and certification are recognized by the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners for the purpose of gaining licensure to practice acupuncture in the State of Arizona. The new address for the NCCAOM is: 76 Laura Street, Suite 1290, Jacksonville, Florida, 32202. ([www.nccaom.org](http://www.nccaom.org)) (904) 598-1005.

## Web Page Updates

The Board's website now includes the ability to download documents associated with practitioner disciplinary actions.

## Sunset Review

The Legislature will be conducting a Sunset Review of the Board in the of Fall 2007.

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## License Statistics

Current Number of Active Licenses: 438

Current Number of Active Certificates: 60

License Applications in 2007: 40

License Applications in 2006: 55

Certificate Applications in 2007: 13

Certificate Applications in 2006: 24

Number of Licenses issued in 2007: 39

Number of Certificates issued in 2007: 12

Number of Licenses issued in 2006: 57

Number of Certificates issued in 2006: 22